

Town of Montville
COMMISSION ON AGING
12 Maple Ave.
Uncasville, Connecticut 06382

1. Call to order

Chair Doherty-Peck called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. on September 1, 2016 in the library at the Senior Center. Our scheduled speaker began the meeting.

- a. A representative from the Humane Society, Elizabeth Timpe came to the group to speak on behalf of the society. She was a fantastic speaker and offered a great deal of information and answered all of the Commission member's questions. She gave the group an overview of what the organization does and a history. We discussed our idea of matching seniors with the appropriate pet and invited her to help us and work to match up shelter pets with seniors. It was suggested the center offer a "field trip" to the shelter so they can meet the animals in preparation of possibly adopting one. Elizabeth explained the programs available for free medical attention as well as free food for a pet that is adopted. Elizabeth was invited back to speak to the seniors.

2. Roll call

Present were commission members: Doherty-Peck, MacNeil, Skinner, Adams, Ziegler, and Doherty. Absent with cause: member Antoniac, Town council Liaison Caron and Police Liaison Lt. Bunnell.

3. Approval of minutes

A motion was made to approve the minutes from the June 2, 2016 by Skinner and second by Doherty.

4. Approval of the bills

None

5. Correspondence

Town Council sent correspondence of member Mary Adams' reinstatement as a member of the commission.

6. Remarks from the public

Ms. Irene Taylor attended the meeting and asked if Wii bowling would be starting up again. She felt there was a request for it and Adams agreed. Doherty-Peck said it would start up again soon.

7. Reports

- a. Doherty-Peck reported that the center would be getting new carpet, which would be tile carpet in the forrier to replace the existing stained carpeting.

- b. Commissioner Betsy Ritter would be the speaker for our November meeting.
- c. She was awarded grants for the Med-Ride (medical transportation), Foot Care Services and the Better Health Grant (mental health services).
Doherty-Peck said the mental health program was a great success. It was being used regularly by a group session as well as one-on-one.
- d. Doherty-Peck reported on behalf of Liaison Billy Caron. Caron reports he is concerned about the fiscal status of the state and how it will continue to affect the town and our resident, including our elderly. He has been talking with State Rep. Kevin Ryan and Senator Cathy Osten. He will keep us up.
- e. Doherty-Peck is selling tickets to a SYBOX Fundraiser for the Senior Center – a Kiss concert at the casino. All money raised will go to benefit programs at the center.

7. Old Business

- a. Last Will & Embezzlement movie was shown already and plans have been made to show the film again in October. Adams suggested showing it at a meeting.
- b. Financial Seminars will begin in the Fall.
- c. Commissioner Betsy Ritter will talk about the Home Care Education/policy when she speaks at the November meeting.

8. New Business

None

9. Remarks from the public

None

10. Remarks from the commission

- a. Adams commented that it was a good idea to have some of the seniors make crafts for the animals at the H.S to play with and sleep on.
- b. The commission talked about the day and time of the meeting. They entertained the possibility of moving either the day or the time. It was decided to further discuss and not to make any changes until January 2017. Changes will be on the agenda for next meeting.

11. A motion was made to adjourn at 10:12 by MacNeil and second by Ziegler.

